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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Morning Meeting of 22 October 1965

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Smith provided background in response to an earlier DCI query about the status of [redacted]

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Smith referred to two special weekly reports on the streets this morning. One deals with Soviet missile submarine construction since 1955; the other with a Soviet missile disaster in 1960.

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Borel reported that the Agency will be represented at the annual DIA intelligence production management conference beginning 25 October.

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Borel reported that William Knox, head of a special panel convened to look into information handling under auspices of the PFIAB and PSAC, will be coming to the Agency on 25 October for briefings. DCI agreed to meet with Knox in the afternoon that day.

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Inspector General reported that the annual audit of Stations [redacted] will proceed, after having obtained advice from these Stations that auditing will not interfere with their current work [redacted]

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Houston reported on Congressional requests for briefings. Senator Milton Young, a member of our subcommittee, has made such a request; and Senator Stennis has asked that we brief Senator Robert Byrd of West Virginia. (See Action 2)

Houston noted that a significant number of Congressmen intend to travel to Vietnam when the current session adjourns. It was agreed that we would make an effort to brief as many of these Congressmen as we can.

Bross reported General Carter's gratitude for DCI support of NSA plans to increase funds and people for work on [redacted] problem. Bross also noted that he and Carter had agreed to the DOD IG request that [redacted] talk with DOD Inspectors who are currently reviewing U. S. [redacted]

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DD/S&T noted that the Space Panel of consultants will meet here beginning at 0830 on Thursday, 28 October. DCI agreed to make opening remarks. DCI also advised DD/S&T to alert the consultants to the kinds of problems to which we want them to address themselves beginning with their second meeting which will take place in January.

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DD/S&T reported indications of [redacted]

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[redacted] R. J. Smith said that this was probably for early warning of strikes [redacted] Smith also noted that

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a wrap-up memo on air defense in South China and North Vietnam is in the works.

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DD/S&T reported that a memo had been done, in answer to a White House request, [REDACTED] DCI wants to see this memo.

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DD/P reported that we have not yet received an Ambassadorial endorsement of our programs in Vietnam, as we have requested. We expect to have it sometime today. DCI said he would call Senator Brewster and offer to meet with him if Brewster desires.

Executive Director noted that DIA will host Project [REDACTED] on 16 and 17 November. [REDACTED] officers have been invited.

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Executive Director noted that Governor Harriman is here today to talk to the Midcareer Course. Harriman is meeting with DCI at 10:30.

Executive Director reported on talks held yesterday with two DOD officials who are looking into ways and means of generating national planning for Government-wide support to the President in times of emergency.

DDCI reported on a useful and interesting meeting with the 17 White House Fellows who were our guests at a dinner here last night.

DCI reminded all hands that the Agency's primary mission and function is intelligence collection and that all projects and programs without intelligence collection features should be subordinate to our primary role. He said it was important, in

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describing our work and our programs to others, to stress the intelligence collection aspects of this work. DCI said appropriate instructions along these lines will be prepared and issued.

ACTIONS:

1. DCI requests a "deep look" at the implications and consequences of a [redacted] departure from the Presidency [redacted] He is particularly interested in prospects if the current Vice President were to accede to power. (DD/I -- 26 October)

2. OGC is to try to arrange for DCI to meet and brief Senators Young and Byrd.

3. D/DCI/NIPE is to confer with [redacted] to find out the status of current efforts to organize and staff the NRO. DCI recommends that a deadline be set for submission of an organizational plan to the NRO Executive Committee. The Executive Committee should meet within the next week or so to discuss this [redacted]

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